

# The Herald and News.

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## THE MUNICIPAL PRIMARY.

Mayor Jno. W. Earhardt Nominated for a Second Term—Aldermanic Races.

Mayor John W. Earhardt was nominated, in the municipal primary held on Tuesday, to succeed himself, defeating his opponent, Mr. Robert H. Welch, by a vote of 300 to 225.

Messrs John T. Hutchinson, A. T. Brown, Van Smith, C. M. West and J. M. Guin were chosen aldermen.

As a result of the election Newberry will have the same city council during the next year as at present, with the exception of the aldermen Wards 1 and 4, and in these two wards the present aldermen did not stand for re-election.

In the aldermanic races there was opposition only in Wards 1 and 3. The race in Ward 1 was very close, Mr. M. M. Harris being defeated by a very narrow margin. Dr. Van Smith defeated his opponent, Mr. H. E. Todd, by a good majority.

The result is best told by the figures given below.

A large vote was polled, 522 going to the polls and casting their ballots. There was a great deal of interest in all the races in which there was opposition, and the council chamber, in which the polls were located, was crowded all day with the candidates and their friends, and hard work was got in. As the result in each of the races became known the pent-up feelings of the victorious candidates' friends found expression in loud hurrahs. On Tuesday night a crowd assembled in council chamber and demanded speeches of Mayor Earhardt, Mr. Welch, Chief of Police Harris and several others, all of whom responded. The crowd then formed a procession and marched through the streets.

Following is the vote received by each of the candidates:

MAYOR	
John W. Earhardt	300
Robt. H. Welch	225
Total	525
ALDERMAN WARD 1.	
John T. Hutchinson	49
M. M. Harris	47
Total	96
ALDERMAN WARD 2.	
A. T. Brown	77
ALDERMAN WARD 3.	
Van Smith	69
H. E. Todd	48
Total	117
ALDERMAN WARD 4.	
C. M. West	79
ALDERMAN WARD 5.	
J. M. Guin	126

## THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS.

Mayor Earhardt has been nominated for a second term. During the past year he and the gentlemen associated with him on the aldermanic board have given the town a clear and honest administration and it was upon the record made during this administration that he asked another term at the hands of the Democratic voters of Newberry.

Mr. John T. Hutchinson, who will represent Ward 1, is one of the two new men who will be in the council. Mr. Hutchinson is a merchant and,

therefore, actively identified with the business interests of the city. He will no doubt make a good officer.

Mr. A. T. Brown, from Ward 2, will succeed himself, as will Dr. Van Smith, from Ward 3, and Mr. J. M. Guin, from Ward 5. These gentlemen have been active and earnest in their official duties during the past year and have given the mayor their hearty support and co-operation in whatever they conceived to be for the best interests of the city and to them is due much of the success of the administration.

Mr. C. M. West, who will represent Ward 4 on the aldermanic board, is a new man. Mr. West is at the head of the machine shops of the Newberry Cotton Mills and is a man who will give his earnest attention to his official duties. That he was elected for a first term without opposition shows the confidence placed in him by his fellow-citizens of the fourth ward.

## GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed Outside the State.

Charles D. Blake, the author of "Rock a-Bye Baby," died at his home in Massachusetts at the age of 60 years.

Thirteen miners were killed and great damage was done by an accidental explosion of gas Tuesday afternoon in a mine at Bonanza, Ark.

It is announced that Commissioner of Pension Ware at Washington, will resign during next year and return to the practice of law in Kansas.

A storm swept over Germany the first of this week, interrupting railroad traffic and telegraphic communication, and inflicting damage to property.

The entire cotton region of West Mississippi and Arkansas has been enveloped in dense smoke this week as the result of serious forest fires which have been raging for several days.

A lunatic went into the Bank of England on Tuesday and fired four times at the cashier, every shot going wide of the mark. The would-be assassin was disarmed by the use of a fire-hose.

The first of the numerous reductions in wages announced in the cotton mills of southern New England occurred this week when the Fall River corporations reduced the pay of thirty-two thousand operatives ten per cent. No strike resulted.

Representative Hardwick, of Georgia, has introduced a bill in Congress making a misdemeanor, punishable by a minimum imprisonment of six months and a maximum of five years, to sell, or in any way to dispose of, for gain, political influence or to purchase the same.

## Temperance Meeting.

The monthly meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held next Monday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, in the Sunday School room of Central Methodist church. This organization is entirely undenominational, and ladies from all the churches are earnestly invited to attend. Mrs. E. S. Herbert will conduct the exercises.

## LYNCHING IN CHESTERFIELD.

The Usual Crime the Cause—Silent Horsemen Came in the Moonlight and Did Their Work.

The Chesterfield correspondent of the State says that news has reached that place of the lynching of Jim Nelson, a cold black negro, near Jefferson, that county, on Saturday night. The news was received there very quietly and elicited little comment on the streets. Chesterfield county has heretofore been clear of this kind of lynching and the illegal hanging of Saturday night is the second execution to occur within her borders in almost a half century. The correspondent went to the scene of the crime and is enabled to give the facts of the whole matter.

On Saturday afternoon, Nov. 15, an attempt was made to outrage the 7-year-old daughter of Miles W. Porter, a prominent farmer of the upper part of Chesterfield county, by Jim Nelson, a negro laborer employed on Mr. Porter's farm.

The girl and some smaller children were playing at a spring near the house when the attempt was made. They ran to the house and gave the alarm and the purpose of the brute was not accomplished. The negro took to the woods and early Monday morning a posse was organized and for several days scoured the woods and nearby swamps in search of him, but without success. The father and brothers of the child continued the hunt and Saturday afternoon Mr. Will Porter came up with the negro at Maynard's saw mill near Catarrh. He carried him to Jefferson and placed him in the guard house in the afternoon, and about 8.30 o'clock Saturday night Mr. Porter and Mr. E. G. Ingram started with the negro to Chesterfield to deliver him to the sheriff. When about three miles from Jefferson a couple of men appeared from out of the woods, presented revolvers and ordered the men in the buggy to hold up their hands, which command was promptly obeyed. They were then ordered to drive on for about 200 yards, where a good healthy limb of a large blackjack hung invitingly over the road and the negro was dragged from the buggy and Ingram and Porter were ordered to turn about and drive for what they were worth. About 20 or 30 men on horseback were congregated at this lonely spot and made quick work of their victim. A rope was placed around his neck and he was swung up and left hanging, while the knights of the cord rode silently away into the darkness.

Nelson's body was left hanging all day Sunday and hundreds of people came to look upon it. He was a coal black negro about 19 years old with thick lips and shaggy hair.

Not one of the lynching party appeared to be intoxicated as there was no swearing or boisterous conduct. Not a shot was fired, and a family living within 200 yards of the scene did not know until Sunday morning the meaning of the presence of the silent horsemen who passed and repassed in the moonlight of the night before.

The coroner went to the scene of the lynching Sunday evening and empaneled a jury and by the light of pine knots held the inquest over

the dead body. The verdict was that Jim Nelson had met his death at the hands of parties unknown to the jury.

The body was buried near the road, no relatives of the deceased having come to claim it.

Now marked with a prominent blaze the lone blackjack stands as a silent sentinel of warning to the African brute who would dare invade the sanctity of the white man's home.

## SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of More or Less Interest Condensed In the State.

Cano Lowe, about 35 years old and married, was killed at the Southern depot at Spartanburg Monday night. He wished to go to Union, and thinking the north-bound vestibule was his train he attempted to get on when it was moving off and his head struck an iron post at the water tank, causing death in a few hours.

It is reported by Barnwell and Denmark that burglars have been in evidence in those two places this week.

The ice factory at Orangeburg, valued at \$27,000, was burned late Tuesday afternoon. Origin of fire is unknown. Insurance, about \$13,000.

The third trial of the famous Yorkville "goat" case is now on. It is a suit of Mitchell vs. the Woodmen of the World for damages resulting from alleged injuries inflicted when Mitchell was initiated. The sovereign consul of the Woodmen is in Yorkville during the progress of the case.

Senator Tillman has withdrawn further opposition to the confirmation of Postmaster Harris, of Charleston, and the senate, at the instance of Senator Clay, has confirmed the long pending nomination.

The lady who was visiting the jail had been much impressed with the appearance and behavior of the prisoners, and she took occasion to express her approval to the warden. "They seem as courteous as anybody," she said, enthusiastically, "even if they don't say anything."

"Yes, they're polite enough," assented the warden. "But I'm a little suspicious of too fine manners."

"I don't see how you can be!" exclaimed the lady.

"Well, I am," declared the warden, "and I have been ever since one of the smoothest of them broke out of jail and left a note for me in which he wrote, 'I hope you will pardon me for the liberty I am taking.'"

## Christmas Holiday Rates.

For the Christmas Holidays the Atlantic Coast Line announces a rate of one and one third one way fares plus 25c for the round trip between all points South Potomac and Ohio Rivers and East of the Mississippi River. Tickets on sale December 23d, 24th, 25th, also 30th, 31st and January 1st, 1904, with final limit January 4th, 1904.

For the accommodation of students and teachers of schools and colleges the Atlantic Coast Line has arranged round trip rates as above, December 16th to 22nd, with final limit January 8th, 1904.

The train service of the Atlantic Coast Line is unexcelled. For tickets and full information, apply to ticket agents. W. J. Craig, G. P. A., Wilmington, N. C.

## BRUNSON BANK ROBBED.

All the Silver Money Taken Out of the Vault, But the Bulk of the Money Safe in Another Place.

Hampton, November 24.—About 1 o'clock this morning the Bank of Brunson was broken open by robbers and about \$500 carried off. From all accounts this was one of the boldest robberies that has ever occurred in Hampton County. Dick Youmans, the colored night watchman, who is employed by the bank and other business places, was tied fast and placed in the keeping of one of the gang while the other members entered the bank and rifled the vault safe of all the cash visible. After they had taken the cash they placed the watchman in the chair, fastened him with wire, and put him in the vault and told him to wait until the cashier came, but Dick soon released himself and immediately gave the alarm, but the robbers had made their escape on a lever car, which was found near Fairfax this morning.

According to the statement of the colored watchman there were five men in the gang, all white. Fortunately for the bank it had just gotten a new safe, and the bulk of the money was in the new safe, which was not touched.

## COLUMBIA TO RAISE 100,000 MEN.

Her Object is to Reduce Panama to Submission if Necessary.

Colon, November 25.—The correspondent of the Associated Press today received a telegram from Bogota, dated November 21, saying that the Government had issued orders to raise the army footing to 100,000 men in the event that Gen. Reyes's mission to Washington should prove fruitless. The subjugation of Panama is given as the reason for the Government's action.

## The Rev. Irl R. Hicks 1904 Almanac.

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks Almanac for 1904 is now ready. It will be mailed to any address for 30 cents. It is surprising how such an elegant, costly book can be sent prepaid so cheaply. No family or person is prepared to study the heavens, or the storms and weather in 1904, without this wonderful Hicks Almanac and Prof. Hicks splendid paper, Word and Works. Both are sent for only one dollar a year. Word and Works is among the best American Magazines. Like the Hicks Almanac, it is too well known to need further commendation. Few men have labored more faithfully for the public good or found a warmer place in the hearts of the people. Send orders to Word and Works Publishing Co., 2201 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo.

## A Cost Sale.

The Ewart-Pifer Co. have put their large stock on the market at cost. This has been done because there will be a change in the business on the first of January. The gentlemen are offering bargains.

## Werts Schumpert.

Mr. Arthur P. Werts, of the Dead Fall section, and Miss Minnie Schumpert, daughter of Mr. F. M. Schumpert, of the Utopia section, were married at the residence of the bride's father on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the Rev. D. P. Boyd officiating.